

CLAIMS

1. A container for receiving plates having a sensitive surface, said container comprising:

a container part having a cavity enclosed by four walls and a bottom;

a removable cover for closing the container part;

guide grooves located on two opposing ones of said walls for guiding plates received therein;

a flexible tongue configured integrally with the cover for securing plates received within the container against displacement;

wherein said flexible tongue is biased into the direction of said bottom for exerting a pressure against a front surface of plates received within the container for securing said plates against displacements when said cover is closed.

2. The container of claim 1, wherein said tongue protrudes from an inner surface of said cover into said cavity.

3. The container of claim 1, wherein said container comprises a homopolymeric plastic material.

4. The container of claim 1, wherein said container consists of a homopolymeric polypropylene.

5. The container of claim 1, wherein said cover is linked with said container part by a film hinge.

6. The container of claim 1, wherein said cover is configured lockable with said container part.

7. The container of claim 6, wherein said cover further comprises a circumferentially closed wall section extending from a surface of said cover toward said container part, said closed wall section comprising a groove extending circumferentially about said closed wall section, a mating bulb being provided on said walls of said container part for locking said cover with said container part when said container part is closed by said cover.

8. The container of claim 1, wherein a supporting ridge is located at the inner surface of the bottom for supporting plates received within the container.

9. A container for receiving plates having a sensitive surface, said container comprising:

- a container part having a cavity enclosed by four walls and a bottom;

- a removable cover for closing the container part;

- guide grooves located on two opposing ones of said walls for guiding plates received therein;

- a flexible tongue configured integrally with said bottom for securing plates received within the container against displacement;

wherein said flexible tongue is biased into the direction of said cover for exerting a pressure against a front surface of plates received within the container for securing said plates against displacements when said cover is closed.

10. The container of claim 9, wherein said tongue protrudes from an inner surface of said cover into said cavity.

11. The container of claim 9, wherein said container comprises of a homopolymeric plastic material.

12. The container of claim 9, wherein said container consists of a homopolymeric polypropylene.

13. The container of claim 9, wherein said cover is linked with said container part by a film hinge.

14. The container of claim 9, wherein said cover is configured lockable with said container part.

15. The container of claim 14, wherein said cover further comprises a circumferentially closed wall section extending from a surface of said cover toward said container part, said closed wall section comprising a groove extending circumferentially about said closed wall section, a mating bulb being provided on said walls of said container part for locking said cover with said container part when said container part is closed by said cover.

16. A container for receiving plates having a sensitive surface, said container comprising:

a container part having a cavity enclosed by four walls and a bottom;

a removable cover for closing the container part;

guide grooves located on two opposing ones of said walls for guiding plates received therein;

a flexible element configured integrally with said cover for securing plates received within the container against displacement;

wherein said flexible element is biased into the direction of said bottom for exerting a pressure against a front surface of plates received within the container for securing said plates against displacements when said cover is closed.

17. The container of claim 16, wherein said flexible element protrudes from an inner surface of said cover into said cavity.

18. The container of claim 16, wherein said container comprises of a homopolymeric plastic material.

19. The container of claim 16, wherein said container consists of a homopolymeric polypropylene.

20. The container of claim 16, wherein said cover is linked with said container part by a film hinge.

21. The container of claim 16, wherein said cover is configured lockable with said container part.

22. The container of claim 21, wherein said cover further comprises a circumferentially closed wall section extending from a surface of said cover toward said container part, said closed wall section comprising a groove extending circumferentially about said closed wall section, a mating bulb being provided on said walls of said container part for locking said

cover with said container part when said container part is closed by said cover.

23. A container for receiving plates having a sensitive surface, said container comprising:

a container part having a cavity enclosed by four walls and a bottom;

a removable cover for closing the container part;

guide grooves located on two opposing ones of said walls for guiding plates received therein;

a flexible element configured integrally with the bottom for securing plates received within the container against displacement;

wherein said flexible element is biased into the direction of said cover for exerting a pressure against a front surface of plates received within the container for securing said plates against displacements when said cover is closed.